

PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT GROUP AGENDA

Wednesday, 21st August 2019 at 7:15pm

Council Chamber, Braintree District Council, Causeway House, Bocking End, Braintree, CM7 9HB

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PUBLIC SESSION

1 Apologies for Absence

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3 Public Question Time

(See paragraph above)

4 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

To accept the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 6th March 2019 (copy previously circulated).

5 Annual Report of the Braintree District Community Safety 4 - 51 Partnership 2018/19 to the Partnership Development Group

6 Urgent Business - Public Session

To consider any matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

PRIVATE SESSION

At the time that this Agenda was published there were no Items for *Private Session.*

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Annual Report of the B Safety Partnership 2018 Development Group	Agenda No: 5				
Portfolio	Environment and Place				
Corporate Outcome:	A sustainable environment and a great place to live, work and play Residents live well in healthy and resilient communities where residents feel supported				
Report presented by:	Tracey Parry, Community Service	ces Manager			
Report prepared by:	Tracey Parry, Community Service	•			
Background Papers: Public Report					
Strategic Assessment CSP Action Plan 2018/1	l9 and 2019/20	Key Decision: No			

Executive Summary:

Annual Report 2018/19

The Braintree District Community Safety Partnership (CSP) is made up of representatives from Braintree District Council, Essex Police, Essex Fire & Rescue Service, Essex Community Rehabilitation Company, National Probation Service, Essex County Council (Partnership Lead and Secondary education), Community 360 and Greenfields Community Housing.

The Community Safety Partnership work together to protect their local communities from crime and help people to feel safer.

There is a statutory requirement for Community Safety Partnerships to carry out an annual strategic assessment, as per legislation in the Crime & Disorder Act Revised 2006. The assessment collates and analyses statistical and contextual data from a range of partners and is used to inform key findings and recommendations for priorities moving forward.

The CSP priorities for 2018/19 were:

- Tackle the trafficking of drugs in the community
- Increase confidence in identifying and reporting hidden harms
- Drive down violence and disorder within the community

The key meetings linked to the Community Safety Partnership are as follows:

1. RAG (Responsible Authority Group)

This is a quarterly meeting of the strategic group of the CSP and consists of strategic and operational officers who are collectively responsible for addressing crime,

disorder and community safety across the Braintree District. The members have responsibility for agreeing the strategic assessment, identifying the priorities and monitoring the projects and activities in the action plan.

2. North Essex Local Policing Area Tasking Meeting

Partners attend a fortnightly strategic tasking meeting where updates are provided on various issues including: burglary, robbery, domestic abuse, gangs & county lines, child exploitation, organised crime criminality and other specific business. Partners input data and information and actions are agreed.

3. Community Safety Hub Meetings

A wider partnership meeting held on a two weekly basis within the same week as the Essex Police Strategic meeting which enables information to be shared or requested and actions assigned. The meeting is designed to provide an update as to the delivery of the Community Safety Action Plan, guest speakers from services that may be of benefit to the hub and identification of emerging issues that may require a multi-agency approach or the development of a project or initiative. The meeting also provides the opportunity for partners to put forward individuals of concern who are either causing an issue within the community or are deemed vulnerable and would benefit from a multi-agency approach or hotspot areas within the district.

Funding Allocation

The Braintree District Community Safety Partnership received an annual Community Safety Grant from the Office of the Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner of £17,739.

Key Achievements

- A professional's conference was held around the theme: 'Groomed to sell drugs: children exploited by county lines gangs.' 75 people attended from a range of services including schools, housing associations, police, children and family's services and the community and voluntary sector. Speakers included: Kendra Houseman providing a 'girls in gangs' perspective, Essex Police, Youth Offending Service; the Children's Society provided the local picture and services available, and a theatre production was delivered by Alter Ego providing a dramatic insight into the grooming process of gangs and the effects on children and young people.
- Stalking and Harassment Training was delivered by the Domestic Abuse charity Safer Places to professionals to gain an understanding of the subject area, how to assess victims, safety planning and case studies.
- Four sessions of J9 training were delivered: this is an initiative to raise awareness and help victims of domestic abuse. Staff from organisations including GP surgeries, veterinary practices, opticians, dental practices and the community sector attended. Following the training, those organisations are able to display the J9 logo at their premises which alerts victims to the fact that they can obtain information to help them access a safe place and the use of a telephone.
- Delivery of a firebreak course for 8 young people who were identified by schools as displaying behavioural changes that may lead them into anti-social behaviour. This was a week long course where they were taught team work and discipline through fire drills, including use of hoses, rescuing from heights using ladders and other drills. 7 young people completed the course and their parents were invited to attend a passing out parade where they demonstrated the skills they had learnt and received an accreditation.

• Established the Change that Counts initiative encouraging the general public to donate to local charities Hope House and New Directions rather than give money to the street homeless; this came about following an increase in street begging.

Recommended Decision:

For the Partnership Development Group to review the annual report (appendix 1) and make any recommendations to Cabinet.

Purpose of Decision:

To give an overview of the work of the Community Safety Partnership to Members.

Any Corporate implications in relation to the following should be explained in detail.

Financial:	Future work of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) will be delivered within existing resources. The CSP has an allocated budget of £17,739 for 2018/19. If further funding is required there will be a requirement to apply via external funding.
Legal:	The Community Safety Partnership is a statutory partnership and must adhere to legislation. The Community Safety Hub has an information sharing agreement and standard operating procedures.
Safeguarding:	Ensure that all Community Safety Partners have safeguarding policies and procedures in place.
Equalities/Diversity:	Taken into account within the development of the annual action plan.
Customer Impact:	Enhance the information to the public.
Environment and Climate Change:	N/A
Consultation/Community Engagement:	The Community Safety Partnership has a twitter page which enhances communication within the wider community and monitors public opinion. Information and data for the strategic assessment was provided by Essex Police and other partners via the CSP Analyst for the North Local Policing Area.
Risks:	Loss of funding to the Community Safety Partnership.
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Braintree District Community Safety Partnership Annual Report 2018-19

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Foreword

The Braintree District Community Safety Partnership Annual Report outlines how local agencies have worked together to make the Braintree District a safer place and reduce the fear of crime during 2018-19.

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 placed a joint responsibility upon specific agencies and other partners within the community to develop and implement strategies to protect their communities from crime and help people feel safe.

Throughout the year partners have worked together to deliver successful projects and initiatives against the identified priorities to:

- Tackle the trafficking of drugs in the community;
- Increase confidence in identifying and reporting hidden harms;
- Drive down violence and disorder within the community.

Many of these are aimed at raising awareness, education and prevention as we feel these add value to the work delivered by local agencies on a daily basis.

We are proud of the achievements the Partnership has made and look forward to another successful year.



Cllr Wendy Schmitt

Chair, Braintree District Community Safety Partnership

Deputy Leader, Cabinet member for Environment and Place Braintree District Council **Tracey Parry**

Community Services Manager Braintree District Council

Responsible Authority Group

The Responsible Authority Group is the strategic group of the Braintree District Community Safety Partnership and consists of strategic and operational officers who are collectively responsible for addressing crime, disorder and community safety across the Braintree District.

These organisations include Braintree District Council, Essex Police, Essex County Fire & Rescue Service, Essex Community Rehabilitation Company, National Probation Service, Mid Essex Clinical Commissioning Group (NHS), Greenfields Community Housing, Essex County Council (Education) and Community360 (voluntary sector).

The group has overall strategic responsibility for making sure that the priorities identified from the annual Strategic Assessment are outlined within the Action Plan, and the projects within the Action Plan are delivered.

Strategic Assessment

Each year the Community Safety Partnership is required to produce a Strategic Assessment report about crime and disorder levels in its area. The results of the Strategic Assessment are used by the Partnership to identify themed priorities for the coming year. The Partnership produces an Action Plan which describes how it will deliver on the identified priorities.

The Strategic Priorities for 2018-19 were:

- Tackle the trafficking of drugs in the community;
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Funding

The Office of the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Essex (OPFCC) allocated grants from its 2018–19 Community Safety Fund to all Community Safety Partnerships across the county. As in previous years the OPFCC set aside a proportion (4%) of this funding for Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHRs). This fund provides: co-ordination of the DHR process; administration of DHR panels; funding for independent chairs; lesson learning seminars; and monitoring and reporting on DHR recommendations implementation.

The funding formula is based on population size, deprivation and crime levels.

Braintree District Community Safety Partnership received a funding allocation of £17,739 for 2018-19.

Action Plan 2018-19

Braintree District Community Safety Partnership produces an annual Action Plan which underpins the priorities and sets out the allocation of budget and how local agencies will work together to meet the actions within the plan.

Actions include specific projects and initiatives put forward by partner agencies, which are then collectively agreed at a meeting of the Responsible Authority Group.

Key Achievements 2018-19

Spot It Stop It scheme – Child Sexual Exploitation scheme

A new scheme to tackle exploitation will be rolled out across the county after its success in Braintree. Braintree District CSP launched the Spot It Stop It campaign to raise awareness and stop children and young people becoming victims of exploitation. To date more than 130 staff from businesses, licensed premises, taxi firms and sports clubs have attended training to increase their knowledge of exploitation, including how to look for and report concerns.

The scheme was nominated for a National Working Group award by the Essex Safeguarding Children Board in April 2018, and came runner-up in the safer environments award category.

Professionals Conference

The CSP held a conference in March around the theme 'Groomed to sell drugs: children exploited by county lines gangs'. 75 people attended from schools, housing associations, police, children and families services, amongst others. Speakers included Kendra Houseman, providing a 'girls in gangs' perspective; The Children's Society; Essex Police; Social Care; Youth Offending Service; and also included an applied theatre production by Alter Ego Creative Solutions – a dramatic insight into the grooming process of gangs and the effects on children and young people.

The conference aimed to raise awareness and understanding of vulnerabilities and warning indicators; improve confidence in reporting concerns; and provide practical tips to overcome barriers to engagement.

Initial feedback provided by those who attended was very positive, with the majority indicating they were 'very satisfied' with the event, and found the relevance of content 'excellent'.

Stalking and Harassment training

The CSP commissioned the domestic abuse charity Safer Places to deliver a 4 hour Stalking Masterclass 'Stealing lives & taking lives' training session for professionals working in the district. The training covered the difference between stalking and

harassment, case studies from victims, how to risk assess victims, safety planning, and examples of best practice. The training took place in October 2018 at Braintree District Council's offices, 16 professionals attended the training, representing a broad range of agencies including housing associations, social care, education, the police, district council, and family support services, among others. Feedback from those who attended the training was extremely positive.

'J9' Domestic Abuse training

The CSP commissioned the charity Safer Places to deliver 'J9' training – an initiative to raise awareness and to help victims of domestic abuse following the death of Janine Mundy, in Cornwall where she lived, in 2003.

To date the CSP has worked with Safer Places to deliver four training sessions to help raise awareness and increase knowledge and understanding of domestic abuse for more than 30 staff in the public and the voluntary sector including GP surgeries, veterinary practices, opticians, dental practices and community organisations.

Where the J9 logo is displayed in a premises it alerts victims that they can obtain information which will help them to access a safe place where there can seek information and the use of a telephone.

Moving Forward

Braintree District Community Safety Partnership has received a funding allocation of $\pounds 17,739$ for 2019-20.

In 2018-19 the Strategic Priorities of Braintree District Community Safety Partnership will be the same as the previous year:

- Tackle the trafficking of drugs in the community;
- Increase confidence in identifying and reporting hidden harms;
- Drive down violence and disorder within the community.

These priorities, along with the core responsibilities of the CSP – to reduce crime and disorder, to reduce re-offending and combat the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances – will inform Braintree CSP's Action Plan for 2019-20.

The Partnership will address these priorities through the identification of agencies and resources that are best placed to respond and deliver improvements.

Finding out more

If you would like further information about us and our services, please get in touch:

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Braintree Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment 2018-19 (PUBLIC VERSION)

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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 Aim & Purpose

The aim and purpose of this document is to assist the Partnership in understanding the patterns and trends relating to crime, disorder, ASB and community safety issues affecting the District, and to enable it to identify and select its strategic priorities for the coming 12 months. These priorities will inform Braintree Community Safety Partnership's 2019/20 Action Plan, which will assist in the allocation of appropriate resources to tackle the issues identified.

1.2 Summary of Assessment

The aim of the Braintree Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment is to assess the scale and nature of crime, anti-social behaviour and vulnerability within the district. Analysis has been completed based on data ranging from 1st October 2017 to 30th September 2018* to allow the priorities for 2019/2020 to be determined and to inform the allocation of appropriate resources to tackle those issues.

The key findings from this data are shown in the table below, further detail can be found within the document itself.

Burglary offences 22% higher than force average	In the rolling twelve months to October 2018 there have been 912 recorded investigations of Burglary, this makes up 36% of the selected crime in Braintree, compared with 14% across the force (see crime proportionality charts on page 16)			
Burglary Residential (Dwelling) is top crime type	According to the crime severity scores (a measure of crime that takes into account both the volume and the severity of offences, by weighting offences differently) Burglary Residential (Dwelling) is ranked number one crime type for Braintree.			
Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) reported to Police has decreased.	ASB across the force has dropped 3.6% since the same period last year. ASB is still a notable issue within Braintree however, with Nuisance ASB being the stand out. There have been 3,109 ASB calls made to Police from the Braintree district within the dates specified, with 2,307 of these attributed to Nuisance.			
Braintree ranks 7 th based on volume of Domestic Abuse	When looking at data taken from the Domestic Abuse Problem Profile for the county. Braintree comes out with 19.72 DA incidents reported per 1000 adults for the time period specified. This places the district 8 th in the county for reports per 1000, but 7 th when this is based on volume.			

*Where the date range varies, the accurate date range has been stated.

1.3 Strategic Priorities

Under the Crime and Disorder Act the Community Safety Partnership is responsible for reducing crime and disorder, reducing re-offending and combating the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances.

The findings of this assessment have informed the decision-making process in relation to identifying and selecting the CSP priorities for 2019-20. As a result, Braintree Community Safety Partnership (CSP), will focus on three core priorities:



Tackle the Trafficking of Drugs in the Community



Increase confidence in identifying & reporting Hidden Harms



Driving Down Violence and Disorder within the Community

Reduce Re-offending will be a running theme throughout the above priorities.

To ensure partnership data is managed in a consistent way, and that the right priorities were identified, a Risk Matrix was completed. This process assists the CSP with justification as to why an issue is, or is not, included as a strategic priority. A Risk Matrix is a visual risk assessment tool that allows the user to define the level of risk associated to multiple factors (e.g. types of crime), against a range of criteria. The following areas scored the highest for Braintree District (see Appendix A):

- Violence with Injury
- Rape
- Domestic Abuse
- Trafficking of Drugs

The priorities from 2018-19 were:

- Violence with Injury
- Sexual Offences (excl. Rape)
- Domestic Abuse
- Trafficking Drugs

2 THE PARTNERSHIP

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 requires the Community Safety Partnerships to complete an annual Strategic Assessment. The legislation also places a joint responsibility upon specific agencies to work together to protect the local community from crime, and to help people feel safer.

Braintree District Community Safety Partnership consists of representatives from -

- Braintree District Council
- Essex Police
- Essex County Fire & Rescue Service
- Essex Community Rehabilitation Company
- Mid Essex Clinical Commissioning Group
- Greenfields Community Housing
- Education
- Community 360 (voluntary sector)

The Assessment is compiled from data covering the time period 1 October 2016 to 30 September 2017.

Data has been taken from the following sources -

- Essex Police Athena crime reporting system
- Essex Police STORM incident management system
- iQuanta (Home Office)

Previous Strategic Priorities 2018/19

- 1. Reduce the risk and impact of Hidden Harm
- 2. Reduce Reoffending
- 3. Effective partnership working to meet emerging local threats and issues

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Current Partnership Structure

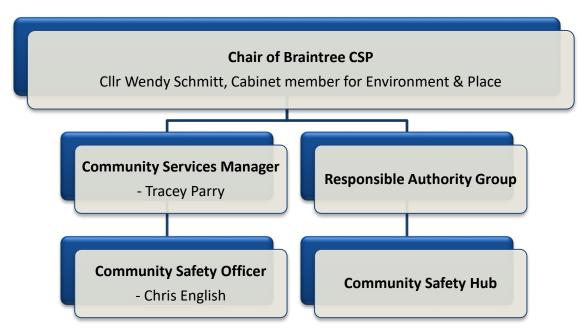


Figure 1

RAG (Responsible Authority Group)

The RAG is the strategic group of the Community Safety Partnership and currently meets three times a year. The group consists of strategic and operational officers who are responsible in law for collectively addressing crime and disorder, substance misuse and reoffending in the Braintree District. This group have overall strategic responsibility for making sure that the priorities identified from the Strategic Assessment are outlined within an action plan and delivered.

Community Safety Hub

Multi-agency working is essential in the prevention of crime and disorder. The Braintree District Community Safety Hub aims to maximise the benefits of collaborative working with partners, develop better information sharing and closer working practices and tackle key issues identified in the CSP Action Plan, the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner's (PFCC) Police and Crime Plan, and from emerging crime trends and patterns.

Membership of the Hub is varied and includes representation from partner organisations of the CSP, other statutory services and the voluntary sector.

The Hub is coordinated by Braintree District Council which has the necessary community knowledge and oversight to set the agenda and coordinate the work of the hub to deliver against the Strategic Priorities.

3 DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

3.1 District detail

Braintree is a large, mainly rural district that covers 612 square kilometres in north and mid Essex, and is the second largest Essex local authority in terms of geographical area. Whilst large in area, the district is only the fifth most populated of the 12 Essex local authorities.

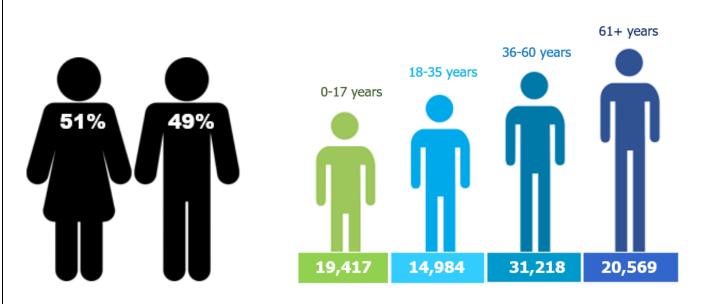
The district consists of the two large market towns of Braintree and Halstead along with the 1970's urban 'expanded town' of Witham interconnected with many smaller villages and rural areas. Crossing the southern portion of the district are the two main arterial roads of Essex, the A12 and the A120 which provide the area with quick access to the rest of the county, London and Stansted Airport. Braintree District has been one of the fastest growing areas in the country over the past decade. The population is projected to increase from 150,700 people (in 2014) to 175,600 people by 2035.

Map of District



3.2 **Population Information**

The population of Braintree District is 150,999 as per the mid-2016 estimates, and home to 10% of Essex residents. In terms of population density, there are 247 people per square km. The median age of the population of Braintree is 43 years old; this is higher that the United Kingdom median age of 40 years old.

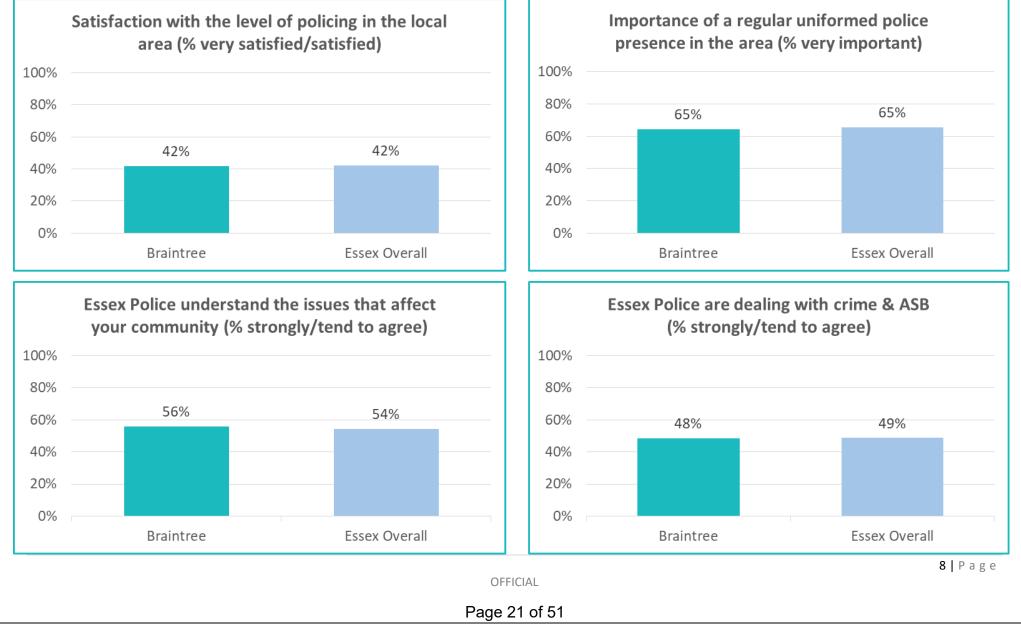


3.3 Public Perception

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The following dashboard summarises data collected as part of the Essex Police Public Perceptions Survey 2017/18. These results represent the combined sample of Q1-Q4 interviews which took place between April 2017 and March 2018. A total of 7,708 residents were surveyed across Essex during this period with 550 from Braintree. Results have been weighted to accurately represent the population size and demographics of each District.





Braintree Key Insights

• Over 4 out of 10 Braintree residents surveyed (42%) feel informed about what the police are doing in their area – third highest of all Districts

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All other KPIs are in line with the Essex average

3.4 Health Profile¹

This profile gives a picture of people's health in Braintree. It is designed to help local government and health services understand their community's needs, so that they can work together to improve people's health and reduce health inequalities.

Health in summary

The health of people in Braintree is varied compared with the England average. About 12% (3,300) of children live in low income families. Life expectancy for men is higher than the England average.

Health inequalities

Life expectancy is 3.9 years lower for men and 3.9 years lower for women in the most deprived areas of Braintree than in the least deprived areas. The level of deprivation in an area can be used to identify those communities who may be in the greatest need of services. These maps and charts show the Index of Multiple Deprivation 2015 (IMD 2015).

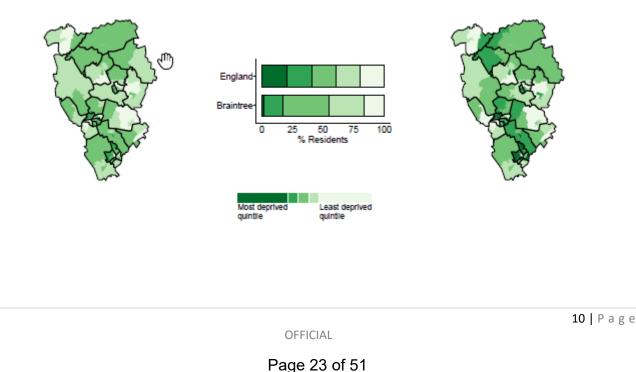
National

The first of the two maps shows differences in deprivation in this area based on national comparisons, using national quintiles (fifths) of IMD 2015, shown by lower super output area. The darkest coloured areas are some of the most deprived neighbourhoods in England.

Local

The second map shows the differences in deprivation based on local quintiles (fifths) of IMD 2015 for this area.

The chart shows the percentage of the population who live in areas at each level of deprivation.



Child health

In Year 6, 17.5% (265) of children are classified as obese, better than the average for England. The rate of alcohol-specific hospital stays among those under

18 is 14*, better than the average for England. This represents 5 stays per year. Levels of breastfeeding initiation are worse than the England average. Levels of smoking at time of delivery are better than the England average.

Adult health

The rate of alcohol-related harm hospital stays is 537*, better than the average for England. This represents 800 stays per year. The rate of self-harm hospital stays is 136*, better than the average for England. This represents 197 stays per year. The rate of people killed and seriously injured on roads is worse than average. Rates of sexually transmitted infections and TB are better than average. Rates of violent crime and early deaths from cardiovascular diseases are better than average.

* rate per 100,000 population
¹Data taken from Local Authority Health Profile 2018

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4 COMMUNITY PROJECTS & INITIATIVES

Below are three successful CSP activities from the past year -

1. Spot It Stop It - Child Sexual Exploitation scheme

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5 CRIME

5.1 National Trends²

The following data has been taken from The Office for National Statistics most recent publication of Crime in England and Wales (released 24/01/2019):

"Over recent decades we've seen continued falls in overall levels of crime but in the last year there has been no change. The overall figure covers a broad range of crimes and hides variation within different crime types. Over the last year we've seen rises in vehicle offences, robbery, and some lower-volume but higher-harm types of violence. We've seen decreases in computer misuse, burglary and shoplifting.

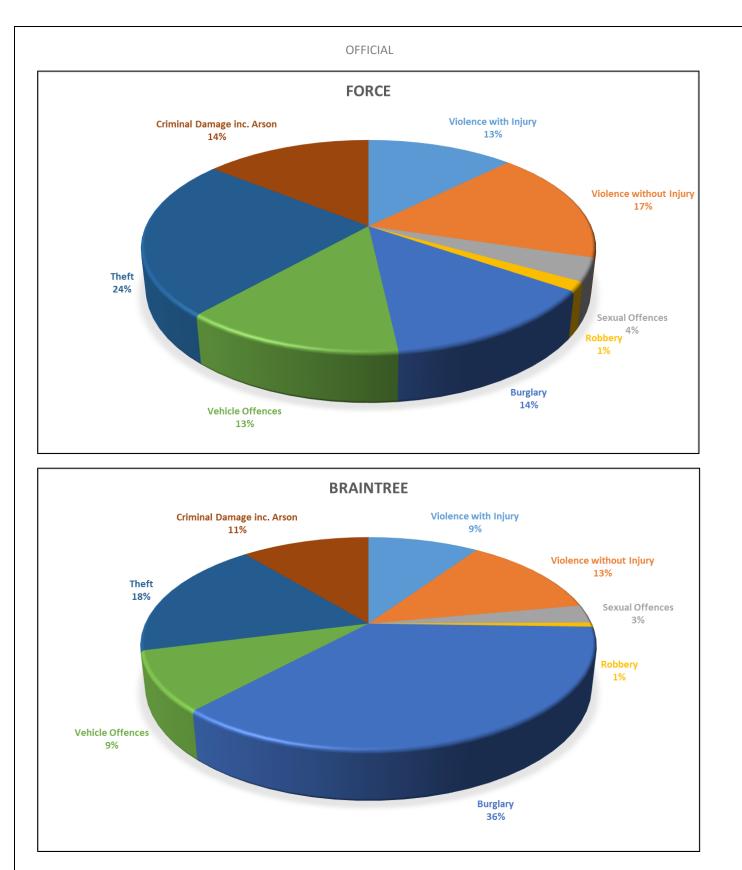
The Crime Survey for England and Wales (CSEW) provides the best overview of longterm changes in theft offences, with the latest estimates showing no significant change. For crime types thought to be well-reported and accurately recorded, police recorded crime data can help identify short-term changes. In the last few years, the police recorded series has been showing increases in many types of offences involving theft but the latest figures show a mixed picture."

²Crime in England and Wales Year ending June 2018 (ONS).pdf

5.2 Essex Trends

Similar to the national trend, a mixed picture can be seen in Essex. Looking at the most recent results there has been an increase yearly, but this fluctuates throughout. The increase in recorded crimes is predicted to continue in the coming twelve months.



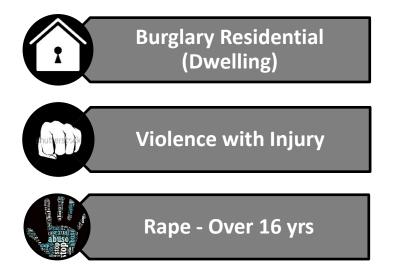


The charts above take data from the Crime tree – rolling 12 months to October 2018. The results show that Braintree as a district follows a very similar pattern to Essex as a whole with the division of crime types appearing very similar. The differences are apparent when the burglary crime type is viewed. This is substantially higher than the force average, whilst all other offences are similar but lower that the force average.

5.3 Crime Severity Scores

Crime Severity Scores, as developed by the Office of National Statistics, can be used to show which crime types have the highest impact on society, and which require the greatest allocation of police resources. They can therefore help inform the strategic decision-making process. They should be considered when reviewing the priorities set (see Appendix B for further details).

The top three crime types, in rank order, based on **Crime Severity Scores**, for Braintree District are:



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6 PARTNERSHIP DATA

6.1 Drug & Alcohol Data

Drugs and alcohol are identified as two of the key drivers of crime and disorder in the Home Office Modern Crime Prevention Strategy (2016).

Individuals dependent on opioids and/or crack cocaine (OCUs) are responsible for an estimated 45% of acquisitive crime (shoplifting, burglary, vehicle crime and robbery), equating to the commission of more than 2,000,000 offences. Around 40% of all violent crimes are alcohol-related, which translates into almost 500,000 violent incidences per year. Drug and alcohol misuse are related to other issues such as child protection, impaired driving, anti-social behaviour and domestic abuse. Alcohol and drug-related offending are estimated to cost £11 billion and £13.9 billion, respectively.

The evidence shows that being in treatment itself reduces levels of offending, so the Modern Crime Prevention Strategy focuses on the need for treatment, prevention and enforcement to mitigate the impact of drug-related crime. Evidence-based drug and alcohol treatment also help in terms of health improvements, reduced drug and/or alcohol related deaths, lower levels of blood-borne infection and wider social harm. The Drugs Strategy (2017) echoes the commitment to treatment when it sets out the need to support people to address their dependence in order to reduce the risk of reoffending. Drug treatment has prevented approximately 4.9m offences in 2010-11. For drug-related crime, reducing the number of heroin and crack users is likely to have the largest impact on volume crime levels. Local authorities commission substance misuse treatment services. It is good practice to base commissioning decisions on a full understanding of the needs of the local population, including those in contact with the criminal justice system. A partnership approach to the planning and delivery of services between all commissioners of health and justice services can bring mutual benefits. Police and Crime Commissioners play a central role in shaping the actions taken by local authorities, enforcement bodies and other local partners. The picture for alcohol is slightly more complex. Violence and disorder in the night-time economy or in the home are largely the result of binge drinking. Some binge drinkers are alcohol dependent, and there is good evidence for specialist alcohol treatment for dependence. However, most binge drinkers are not dependent, so wouldn't necessarily benefit from specialist treatment. Other effective responses supporting a reduction in alcohol-related crime include controlling accessibility and times of sale of alcohol,

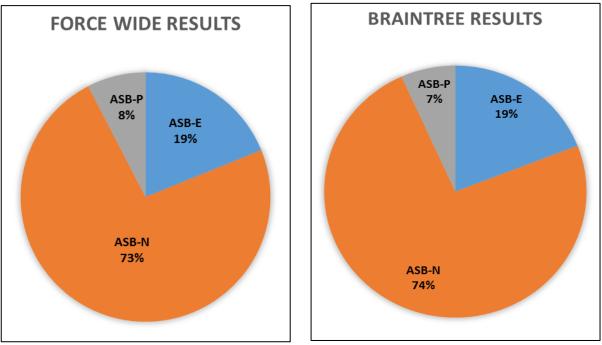
intelligence-led management of enforcement activity and shaping the built environment to limit the likelihood of violence.

Evidence-based drug and alcohol treatment can help reduce harms to the individual and the local community and deliver real savings, particularly in terms of crime costs, but also in savings in terms of health improvements, reduced drug and/or alcohol related deaths, lower levels of blood-borne infection and wider social harm.

Further information in relation to the National Drug Treatment Monitoring System (NDTMS), including publication of national statistics, can be found in the East of England Essex Police Force Area PCC Support pack 2018-19.

6.2 Anti-Social Behaviour Data

Essex Police have logged 48,588 calls which relate to Anti-Social Behaviour between 01/10/2017 - 30/09/2018. This is a decrease of 1,818 or 3.6% from the same time period in the previous year where 50,406 calls were logged between 01/10/2016 - 30/09/2017. When the results are split into ASB types; Nuisance, Environmental, and Personal, for the force Nuisance is the stand out leader with 35,726 results, equating to 73% of all the calls. Meanwhile, Environmental has 9,170 calls (19%) and Personal 3,691 calls (8%).



Braintree follows a similar pattern to the Force as a whole but with more emphasis on Nuisance with 74% of the total, equating to 2,307 calls. Environmental has 593 calls (19%) and Personal has 209 calls (7%). Braintree accounts for 6.4% of the total ASB calls for Essex.

6.3 Road Casualties

	Casualt	ies 01/10/2	2016 to 30/	09/2017	Casualties 01/10/2017 to 30/09/2018				% change					
Local Authority	Fatal	Serious	Slight	KSI		Fatal	Serious	Slight	KSI	Fatal	Serious	Slight	KSI	All
BASILDON	2	86	366	88		5	74	272	79	150%	-14%	-26%	-10%	-23%
BRAINTREE	5	89	257	94		3	78	225	81	-40%	-12%	-12%	-14%	-13%
BRENTWOOD	4	51	183	55		3	40	162	43	-25%	-22%	-11%	-22%	-14%
CASTLE POINT	3	40	127	43		4	30	157	34	33%	-25%	24%	-21%	12%
CHELMSFORD	3	95	350	98		5	108	339	113	67%	14%	-3%	15%	1%
COLCHESTER	4	84	345	88		4	99	356	103	0%	18%	3%	17%	6%
EPPING FOREST	7	128	500	135		10	113	458	123	43%	-12%	-8%	-9%	-9%
HARLOW	0	27	108	27		1	32	113	33	100%	19%	5%	22%	8%
MALDON	1	47	124	48		1	58	89	59	0%	23%	-28%	23%	-14%
ROCHFORD	1	26	137	27		3	47	146	50	200%	81%	7%	85%	20%
SOUTHEND-ON-SEA	3	86	290	89		1	71	291	72	-67%	-17%	0%	-19%	-4%
TENDRING	7	101	309	108		3	79	299	82	-57%	-22%	-3%	-24%	-9%
THURROCK	4	75	374	79		2	84	361	86	-50%	12%	-3%	9%	-1%
UTTLESFORD	4	77	187	81		3	74	205	77	-25%	-4%	10%	-5%	5%
ESSEX	48	1,012	3,657	1,060		48	<i>9</i> 87	3,473	1,035	0%	-2%	-5%	-2%	-4%

Accs Map is the source for official figures once they have been finalised and agreed with DfT, but the validation and quality assurance process means accurate monthly figures are only usually available up to around 3 months before the current date. In contrast CRASH is a live system where figures are very up to date, but will include some data that dosen't end up being counted by DfT. Older collisions on CRASH can also change indefinitely as there is no cut-off where records stop being editable. Therefore comparisons between CRASH data and AccsMap data will not give accurate trends.

This data is from CRASH so will not match official DfT figures, but is the most accurate representation of collision records as they stand on the day the query was run (21/11/2018)

6.4 Youth Offending Data

"The aim of Essex Youth Offending Service (YOS) is to work with children and young people who have offended and to help prevent them getting into further trouble. Each Youth Offending Team (YOT) includes a police officer, social workers, probation officers and staff from Health and Education."

- Between 1st December 2017 and 30th November 2018, 37 young people were active on Youth Offending Team (YOT) programmes in Braintree District. There are currently 45 YOT programmes running. The 37 children will include Looked After Children from Braintree who may have been placed out of the District during all or part of their programme(s). The total excludes any cases that were from other Local Authorities.
- Of the 37 young people 35 were male (95%) 2 were female (5%).
- Based on the young people's age, as of 1st December 2017, most young people were aged 17 (41%) whilst 16% were aged 14 and 16% were aged 15.
- 6 were first-time entrants (16%) i.e. the first substantive outcome occurred in the period; many of these young people went on to get further disposals within the period.

- Of 45 YOT programmes, the breakdown in type is as follows:
 - Prevention: 8 (18%)
 - Pre-court disposal: 4 (9%)
 - Community: 22 (49%)
 - Custodial order: 4 (9%)
 - Licence: 3 (7%)
 - Bail programme: 2 (4%)
 - Remand: 2 (4%)
- The top three offence types, leading to a YOT referral, were Violence Against the Person, Criminal Damage and Sexual Offences. The least common offence type is Non Domestic Burglary.
- Of the 37 young people, 4 (11%) had multiple programmes, indicating repeat offending. This is likely to underrepresent true reoffending since it does not account for disposals where there was no YOT involvement (e.g. fines).*

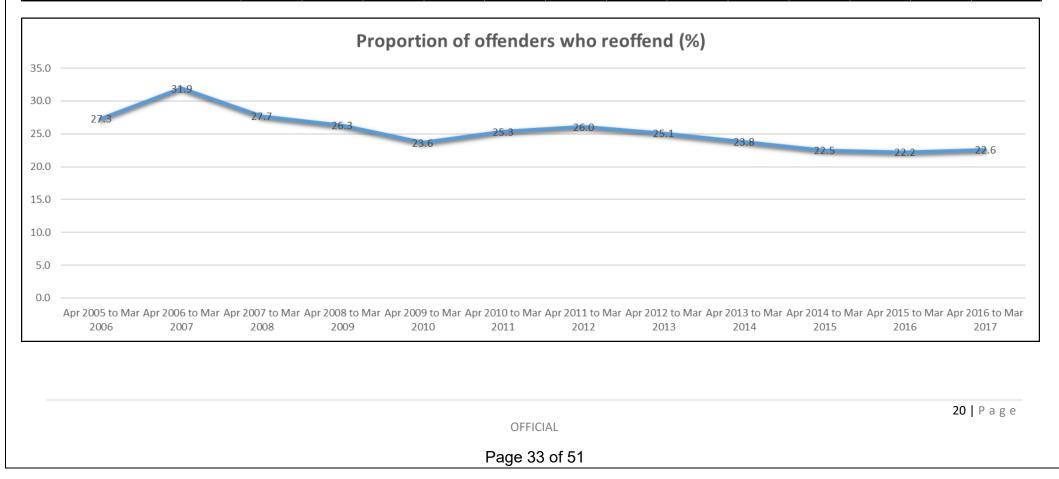
* It is not possible to accurately reflect reoffending rates of a cohort so soon after period-end; to allow a level playing field, everyone in the cohort should be monitored for same period of time.

6.5 **Reoffending**

The following information has been extracted from the government website for National Statistics, as provided by the Ministry of Justice^{*} in relation to proven reoffending statistics for the financial years since 2005: Statistics on reoffending of offenders who were released from custody, received a non-custodial conviction, or a caution.

* https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/proven-reoffending-statistics-october-to-december-2016

Values	Apr 2005 to Mar 2006		Apr 2007 to Mar 2008			Apr 2010 to Mar 2011		Apr 2012 to Mar 2013			Apr 2015 to Mar 2016	Apr 2016 to Mar 2017	Sparkline
Proportion of offenders who reoffend (%)	27.3	31.9	27.7	26.3	23.6	25.3	26.0	25.1	23.8	22.5	22.2	22.6	$\langle \rangle$
Average number of reoffences per reoffender	3.6	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.7	3.0	2.9	3.2	3.0	3.0	4.0	$\$
Number of reoffences	1,616	1,783	1,355	1,416	1,118	1,033	968	851	799	658	535	611	$\left\langle \right\rangle$
Number of reoffenders	451	572	485	496	406	382	324	294	252	218	180	154	{
Number of offenders in cohort	1,651	1,792	1,752	1,885	1,717	1,510	1,244	1,172	1,060	970	811	682	
Average number of previous offences per offender	7.47	6.93	7.17	7.69	8.38	8.80	9.34	9.89	9.24	11.31	12.08	11.41	



7 HIDDEN HARMS

7.1 Child Sexual Exploitation / Abuse

The information and data taken for this section has been provided by Essex Police's Crime & Public Protection Command (Operations Centre).

Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE)

In February 2017, the Department for Education published a revised definition of Child Sexual Exploitation and guide for 'practitioners, local leaders and decision makers working to protect children from CSE'*.

"Child sexual exploitation is a form of child sexual abuse. It occurs where an individual or group takes advantage of an imbalance of power to coerce, manipulate or deceive a child or young person under the age of 18 into sexual activity (a) in exchange for something the victim needs or wants, and/or (b) for the financial advantage or increased status of the perpetrator or facilitator. The victim may have been sexually exploited even if the sexual activity appears consensual. Child sexual exploitation does not always involve physical contact; it can also occur through the use of technology".

CSE is a Hidden Harm. The recording of CSE investigations should therefore be regarded in a different way to offence data, as recording of such investigations is often a reflection of proactive policing and a greater knowledge of CSE indicators by the wider Partnership. It would consequently be inaccurate to suggest that North LPA has a bigger CSE issue than the other LPAs because it has recorded more CSE investigations.

*http://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/591903/CSE_Guidance_Core_Document_13.02.2017.pdf

7.2 Domestic Abuse (DA)

The information for this section was sourced from Essex Police's Domestic Abuse Problem Profile 2018.

42% of all DA investigations recorded were in North LPA, which has been the highest LPA for DA investigations for the last four years. This is likely due to its large adult population.

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The following table displays the number of investigations per 1,000 adults (15 years old and over), organised by district; this analysis is based on population figures obtained from the 2011 Census which were presented by district, and Unitary Authority. Each district has been given a rank based on the number of investigations per 1,000 adults in that area but the rank based on volume of recorded investigations is also included as a comparison.

Rank based on reported rates of DA per 1,000 adults	District	Reported rates of DA per 1,000 adults	Rank based on volume
1	Southend-on-Sea	32.15	1
2	Harlow	31.91	8
3	Tendring	31.64	4
4	Basildon	29.11	2
5	Colchester	28.76	3
6	Thurrock	26.53	5
7	Castle Point	21.99	10
8	Braintree	19.72	7
8	Chelmsford	19.72	6
10	Epping Forest	19.41	9
11	Brentwood	17.48	11
12	Maldon	14.86	14
13	Rochford	14.47	12
14	Uttlesford	13.65	13

On average there is a difference in ranking of two positions either higher or lower between reported rates of DA per 1,000 adults and volume. Where the difference in the rankings is greater than the average this suggests an anomaly.

Right to Know/Ask – Clare's Law

Right to Ask: For the public

The scheme allows someone within a relationship - either male or female, to make a request to the police for information about a partner's history. The scheme is also open to anyone who has a concern about a relationship and is worried that someone may be at risk of harm from their partner. If disclosure is deemed necessary, the information is given to the person at risk, not to the applicant.

Right to Know: For the police

This side of Clare's Law allows the police to decide whether to disclose information to someone.

In both Right to Ask and Right to Know, a panel of police, probation services and other agencies check every request to decide if disclosure of information is necessary, before trained police officers and advisers then provide support to victims. Even if no violence is found in someone's background, police will still help with advice and signposting if someone is fearful of their partner's behaviour.

Further information can be found at https://www.essex.police.uk/advice/domestic-abuse/clare-s-law/

7.3 Human Trafficking, Modern Slavery & Immigration (HTMSI)

The information below has been provided by Vulnerability Analysis Team at Essex Police.

The National Picture

The National Referral Mechanism (NRM) - a system for safeguarding victims of Modern Slavery, statistics are published quarterly by the National Crime Agency (NCA). The statistics analysed cover four quarters from 1st October 2017 to 30th September 2018.

Essex accounts for 1.6% of all NRM referrals nationally. This includes referrals by partner agencies and designated charities. This is a reduction from last year which is likely due to increased awareness and action by other agencies.

Nationally, Essex Police has the sixth highest level of referrals amongst police forces in the UK (up from eighth last year). This reflects the pro-active stance taken by Essex Police in recognising trafficking and slavery.

The statistics are categorised by Labour Exploitation, Domestic Servitude, Sexual Exploitation and Unknown Exploitation. The Home Office typology includes an

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account for 0.6% of all referrals for Domestic Servitude Essex Police account for 2% of all Labour Exploitation Referrals Essex Police account for 1.9% of all Sexual Exploitation Referrals

Essex accounts for 0.8% of all Referrals for Unknown Exploitation

additional category of Criminal Exploitation – these are considered as Labour Exploitation in the national statistics. The statistical breakdown above shows Essex Police in comparison to other Police Forces in England. This level of detail is unavailable for the County including all referring agencies.

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During the reporting period, Essex has been involved in the national Project Aidant. This is a national operation co-ordinated by the NCA whereby local forces and agencies commit to regular weeks of action targeting specific areas of Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking. These weeks have been successful in focussing on and raising awareness of specific areas such as Child Trafficking (Missing or Looked after Children), Labour Exploitation (Nail Bars and Car Washes), and Sexual Exploitation (Brothels and Adult Services websites). They are planned to continue throughout 2019.

Essex Police are also involved with several other projects to improve analysis, detection and investigation of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking:

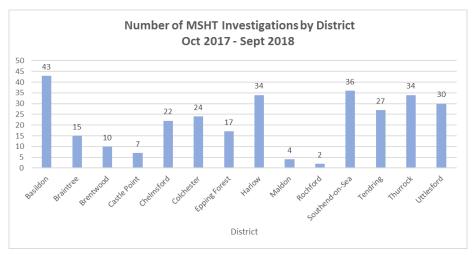
- Internal review leading to the establishment of a dedicated Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking to provide a centre of excellence, advice, and support for officers and staff identifying and investigating these offences. This unit will also investigation organised crime groups associated with Human Trafficking.
- Joint project with partner agencies in Essex to establish a common data sharing platform focussing on Labour Exploitation.

As a county, Essex has seen an increased level of referrals in two areas:

- Criminal Exploitation for Drug Dealing of British minors by Urban Street Gangs and/or County Lines
- Sexual Exploitation of Albanian females on the journey across Europe. There is an increasing trend of trafficking Albanian females into prostitution in Albania, Italy and Belgium. These victims are then either sent to the UK and escape or escape and make their own way to the UK.

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As shown in the chart below, Braintree had 15 investigations* in the period reviewed.

*Each investigation should have a corresponding NRM or MS1 (Duty to Notify) Form. Therefore, the terms "investigation" and "referral" are used interchangeably

7.4 Hate Crime

Hate Crime⁴ - A crime that the victim or any other person perceives to be motivated by hostility or prejudice towards any aspect of a person's identity. Police forces in England, Wales and Northern Ireland annually monitor five strands of Hate Crime:

- Disability
- Gender Identity
- Race, Ethnicity or Nationality
- Religion, Faith or Belief
- Sexual Orientation

Hate Incident - Any incident, which may or may not be a crime that the victim or any other person perceives to be motivated by hostility or prejudice towards any aspect of a person's identity.

The National Picture*

Police recorded crime

In 2017/18, there were 94,098 hate crime offences recorded by the police in England and Wales, an increase of 17% compared with the previous year.

This continues the upward trend in recent years with the number of recorded hate crime offences having more than doubled since 2012/13 (from 42,255 to 94,098 offences; an increase of 123%). This increase is thought to be largely driven by improvements in police recording, although there has been spikes in hate crime following certain events such as the EU Referendum and the terrorist attacks in 2017.

Crime Survey for England and Wales (CSEW)

The combined 2015/16 to 2017/18 CSEW estimates that there were around 184,000 incidents of hate crime a year. This estimate is 40% lower than the 307,000 incidents a year estimated by the 2007/08 and 2008/09 combined CSEW.

The most commonly reported motivating factor in these hate crime incidents was race, with an average of 101,000 incidents a year according to the combined 2015/16 to 2017/18 CSEW. Overall, 53% of hate crime incidents came to the attention of the police, a higher proportion than for

Victims of hate crime were more likely to report being affected by the incident rather than victims of all CSEW crime. For example, 36% of hate crime victims said they were 'very much' affected compared with 13% for all CSEW crime.

Around half (51%) of victims of hate crime were very or fairly satisfied with how the police handled the incident, a lower proportion than for all CSEW crime (69%).

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all CSEW crime (40%).

Between November 2016/October 2017 and November 2017/October 2018 there was a 4% decrease in recorded Hate Crime offences in Essex.

This is against a 10% increase in recorded Hate Crime offences in Essex from the November 2015/October 2016 to November 2016/October 2017 period.

Overall Essex is still seeing a three year trend which indicates a gradual rise in Hate crime offending. There have been peaks in previous years in both September 2016 and September 2017 however this did not continue into 2018. The peak for 2018 occurred instead in July.

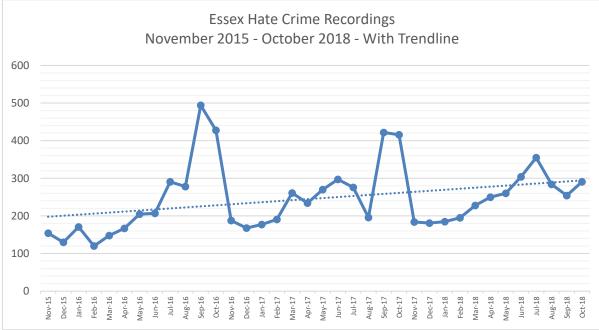
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It is not immediately evident why this is the case, however awareness of the crime type and an increase in awareness/prevention schemes to deal with hate crime, which have gained traction in recent years, will have impacted the volumes.

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Between the period between November 2016/October 2017 and November 2017/October 2018 there was a 25% increase in recorded Hate Crime offences in Braintree. This is against a 23% decrease in recorded Hate Crime offences in Braintree from the November 2015/October 2016 to November

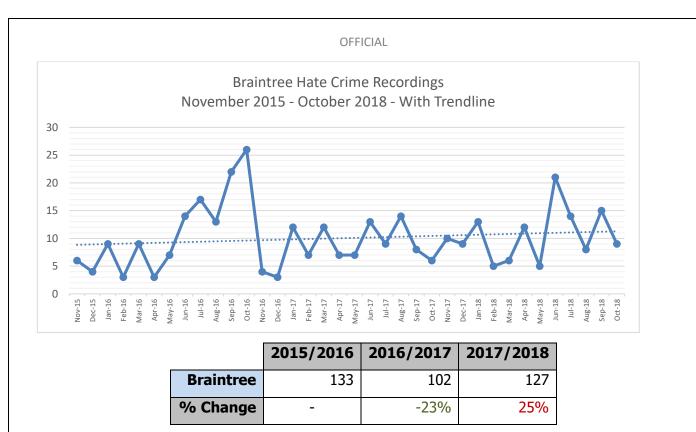


2016/October 2017 period.

Braintree district follows the same three trend as Essex as a whole with an increasing trend for recorded Hate Crime offences, however of note is this increased trend is less distinct than the overall force trend.

The peaks and troughs in offending in the Braintree are quite static across the three recording periods for the months of November-May and August with less than 15 offences in each month for each period. June and July are the peak months for offending with September and October falling for the last two recoding periods compared with 2015/2016.

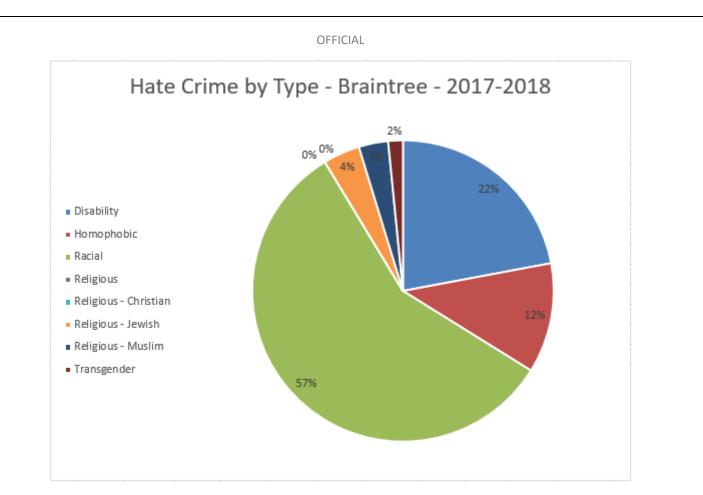
The increased in offending in the District is not down to a distinct peak. Whilst there is an increase in June is this latest reporting period there has been increase in eight of the twelve months compared with the previous year's data.



The largest category of offending in Hate Crime remains Race Hate offences at 73, an increase of 20% from the previous year and making up 57% of all investigations in Braintree. There was an increase in five other categories, most notably in Disability crime, which rose by 8 offences in the Braintree District, a 40% increase. Whilst there was an increase in other categories increase were smaller in number despite the percentage change being greater.

The increase in Race and Disability Hate offences has been the biggest driving factor for the 25% increase in Hate Crime in the Braintree District.

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Braintree	Disability	Homophobic	Racial	Religious	Religious - Christian	Religious - Jewish	Religious - Muslim	Transgender	Grand Total
2016-2017	20	13	61	0	3	1	3	1	102
2017-2018	28	15	73	0	0	5	4	2	127
% Change	40%	15%	20%	0%	-100%	400%	33%	100%	25%

8 APPENDIX A – RISK MATRIX

Offence Header	Total	Rank
Violence against the person		
Homicide	11	11
Violence with injury	22	1
Death or Serious Injury caused by unlawful		
driving	9	15
Violence without injury (new definition)	11	11
Stalking & Harassment	12	10
Sexual Offences		
Rape	17	4
Other Sexual Offences	15	5
Robbery		
Robbery - Business	5	24
Robbery - Personal	13	9
Burglary		
Burglary - Residential	15	5
Burglary - Business And Community	8	18
Vehicle offences		
Theft From a Motor Vehicle	5	24
Theft Of a Motor Vehicle	6	23
Vehicle Interference	3	28
Theft		
Theft from the person	3	28
Bicycle theft	3	28
Shoplifting	4	27
Other theft	10	14
Arson and criminal damage		
Criminal Damage	7	22
Arson	8	18
Domestic Abuse	22	1
Drug offences		
Trafficking of drugs	18	3
Possession of drugs	9	15
Possession of weapons offences	9	15
Public Order Offences	9	15
Hate Crime HO Definition	15	5
ASB (Police)		
Environment	8	18
Nuisance	8	18
Personal	11	11
KSI	14	8

To ensure partnership data is managed in a consistent way, and that the right priorities are identified, a Risk Matrix was completed. This process assists the CSP with justification as to why an issue is, or is not, included as a strategic priority.

The completion of a Risk Matrix is a method used as part of a risk assessment process to be able to define the level of risk associated to multiple factors, against a range of criteria.

The categories assessed and scored were: Performance, Harm, National Priority, Cost Impact, PFCC Priority, Local priority, Community Priority, Harm to Property, Physical Harm to People, Psychological Harm to People, Risk to Vulnerable Groups, Hidden Crime, and Is a CSP Approach of Benefit?

The scores are then totalled and ranked (as depicted in the table to the left).

Braintree District Community Safety Partnership Action Plan 2018-2019



CSP Priorities 2018-2019:

- 1. Tackle the trafficking of drugs in the community
- 2. Increase confidence in identifying and reporting hidden harms
- 3. Drive down violence and disorder within the community

These three priorities, along with the core responsibilities of the CSP – to reduce crime and disorder, to reduce re-offending and combating the misuse of drugs, alcohol, and other substances – will form the basis of Braintree CSP's Action Plan 2018-19.

The CSP Action Plan supports the Police and Crime Plan 2016-2020 which sets out the policing priorities and aims for keeping Essex safe:

- 1. More local, visible and accessible policing
- 2. Crack down on anti-social behaviour
- 3. Breaking the cycle of domestic abuse
- 4. Reverse the trend in serious violence
- 5. Tackle gangs and organised crime
- 6. Protecting children and vulnerable people
- 7. Improve safety on our roads



Braintree District CSP Action Plan 2018-2019

Theme (s)	Project / Initiative	CSP Priority met	PFCC Priority met	Lead	Partner Input	Desired outcomes and impacts
Child Sexual Exploitation	Expand the Spot It, Stop It scheme to include Night Time Economy, Taxis and shopping precinct to encourage reporting of concerns to the relevant authorities.	2	6	Braintree District Council (BDC)	Essex Police	Improved awareness among licensed premises. Increase in the number of reports made.
Gangs & Serious Organised Crime	Implementation of the Essex Gangs and Vulnerability Framework.	1, 2, 3	4, 5, 6	Essex Youth Offending Service	BDC Essex Social Care Family Solutions	The countywide framework will set out agreed common principles to tackle violence and vulnerability, along with action plans, recommendations, proposed structures, interventions, pathways and targets.
Gangs & Serious Organised Crime	Girls in Gangs – An input for professionals and frontline practitioners to improve awareness of gang life from a female perspective	2	5, 6	CSP Officer		Increased awareness amongst professionals and frontline practitioners who may encounter girls at risk of gang involvement.
Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking	An awareness session for professionals and frontline practitioners.	2	5, 6	CSP Officer		Increased awareness amongst professionals and improved confidence in reporting concerns to relevant agencies.

Domestic Abuse	An awareness campaign during the World Cup football tournament highlighting support available for those experiencing domestic abuse.	2	3, 6		Safer Places	Raise awareness of the help and support services available for those experiencing abuse. An increase in the number of calls/referrals made to Safer Places.
Public Engagement / Young People	The College at Braintree Safety Day, to educate younger people on key crime issues and personal safety.	-	1, 6, 2	Essex Police		Increased awareness amongst younger people.
Public Engagement	Develop a 'Coffee with Cops' initiative to host public drop-in sessions at various locations across the District.	1, 2, 3	1, 2	Essex Police	BDC	Increased engagement with members of the community.
Public Engagement / Social Media	Explore use of social media to increase reach of key messages to parents and carers of younger people, especially around issues such as Child Sexual Exploitation, Gangs, Cyber safety.	1, 2, 3	3, 4, 5, 6	CSP Officer	BDC Family Solutions Education Essex Youth Service	Increased awareness of the work of the Community Safety Partnership. Increased awareness amongst parents and carers of key issues affecting younger people.
Domestic Abuse	Cyber and Digital Stalking awareness for professionals and frontline practitioners	2	3, 6	CSP Officer		Increased awareness amongst professionals and frontline staff.

Re-offending	Additional diversionary activities for offenders to provide an alternative to crime and substance misuse.	1, 3	2, 3, 4, 5	Futures in Mind		Reduced re-offending.
Public Engagement / Homelessness	A campaign to help raise awareness of the support and facilities available for homeless rough sleepers.	-	6	Essex Police BDC	Phoenix Futures One Support	Increased awareness amongst members of the public.
Domestic Abuse	Support services for children experiencing Domestic Abuse.	2	6, 3	BDC	Family Solutions Essex Social Care Safer Places	
Anti-Social Behaviour powers	Access to ring-fenced funding to ensure swift and appropriate responses to high-level anti-social behaviour	1	2, 5, 6	Essex Police	BDC Housing Associations	
Rural Crime	Public engagement events including a pilot project to deliver safety advice to residents and businesses.	2, 3	6, 7	ECFRS	Essex Police	Improved intelligence sharing and partnership working to develop awareness and reduce targeting of vulnerable and isolated communities.

Braintree District Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Action Plan 2019-20



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- 2. Crack down on anti-social behaviour
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- 4. Reverse the trend in serious violence
- 5. Tackle gangs and organised crime
- 6. Protecting children and vulnerable people
- 7. Improve safety on our roads



PROJECT/INITIATIVE	WHAT CSP / OPFCC PRIORITY DOES IT MEET?	LEAD AGENCY	PARTNER INPUT	FUNDING REQUIRED
Expand the Spot It , Stop It scheme to include the Night Time Economy, Taxis and sports clubs	Increase confidence in identifying and reporting hidden harms 4, 5, 6	(Community Services, Licensing)	ESSEX POLICE Protecting and serving Essex	£1,500
Implementation of ' Horizons ' project – an Intensive Prolific Offender Caseworker to work with a cohort of 10 individuals who meet the criteria of being homeless, offending, with substance misuse issues, ill mental health and poverty as a common factor	Reduce Re- offending	Phoenix Futures The charity that is confident about recovery Braintee District Council		Funding received from DWP CSP to contribute
Delivery of ' J9 ' Domestic Abuse training for professionals	Increase confidence in identifying and reporting hidden harms 3	Braintree District Council	SaferPlaces Domestic Abuse Support Services	£1,200

Implementation of a ' DISC ' scheme for the Braintree District to improve communication between agencies and licensed premises	Drive down violence and disorder within the community 4, 5	ESSEX POLICE Protecting and serving Essex (Licensing)	Private sector – licensed premises	£1,320
Provide a Firebreak course	Core responsibilities of the CSP 2, 6	TBC	Essex County Fire & Rescue Service	£3,000
Raise awareness of the charity Crimestoppers to the general public Promote the 'Fearless' campaign to young people across the District	Tackle the trafficking of drugs within the community 4, 5, 6	Braintree District Council	Education	£1,000
Develop a partnership approach to dealing with Anti-Social Behaviour hotspot areas	Tackle hotspot areas identified, and allocating resources accordingly through a multi-agency approach	(Braintree Foyer)	Braintree District Council	£2,000+

			ESSEX POLICE Protecting and serving Essex	
Coordination of the district Community Safety Hub	All priorities 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	Braintree District Council	(All partner organisations)	£6,000
Deliver ' Breaking the Chain ' applied theatre production to raise awareness, kick-start conversations and build resilience around youth violence – with a focus on knife crime	Drive down violence and disorder within the community 2, 4, 5, 6	Greenfields COMMUNITY HOUSING	Education	
Venues for clients - Provide meeting rooms for regular interviews with clients, removing the barrier of having to travel to Chelmsford	Reduce re-offending	Essex Community Rehabilitation Company	Braintree District Council	£1,000